Moffat, that the Board of Works be authorized to have the City Solicitor's opinion taken regarding the right of the county collecting tolls at the various bridges crossing the Thames, which this city have to pay one half of construction, and also of keeping said bridges in repair by a recent Act of the Legislature of Ontario. Carried.

THE STEAM FIRE ENGINE.

Ald. Partridge, jun., moved, seconded by Ald. McDonald, that the fire engines be not loaned to private citizens unless with the consent of the Board. He brought this motion up, from the knowledge that one of the steamers last year had her boiler nearly ruined, and it was to obviate this in future that he made the motion. The motion carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Ald. McPhail gave notice that he would move at next meeting that a sum not exceeding $400 be granted to construct a sidewalk from Hill to Furnival Terrace, on the west side of Wellington street, leading to Christ Church.

The Board then adjourned for three weeks.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Council Chamber, Oct. 20th, 1873.

The Board of Aldermen met last evening in the Council Chamber. His Worship the Mayor presided, and there were in attendance Aldermen McDonald, Moffat, Smyth, Starr, Leonard, Christie, Beattie, Egan, Partridge, Partridge, jun., Rapley, Shaw, Mc- McBride, Brown, Cronyn, Cousins, McPhail, Williams.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and confirmed.

COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED

From Mr. J. T. Boyd, agent of Gen. Renwick, with reference to draining a pond on Colborne street. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mr. Geo. Pritchard, Sec. of St. George's Society, asking for the free use of the City Hall for holding a charitable concert on the 19th prox. Granted on payment of current expenses.

From Mr. E. de la Hooke, of Tuscan Lodge, for the City Hall on the 26th December next, for the purpose of holding a Masonic Ball. Granted on similar conditions as above.

From Mr. John Loftus, for the use of the City Hall on the 22nd inst., for holding a temperance meeting. Granted on paying current expenses.

From Mr. Richard Evans and 21 others, praying for a sidewalk from Great St. James street to the east side of Waterloo street. Referred to the members of No. 7 Ward.

From Thomas Kelly, a pensioner, of No 7 Ward, asking for relief, owing to severe injuries received by him some time since. Hospital and Relief Committee.

From Dr. Salter and 14 residents of Bond street, petitioning against the narrowing of the said street, and setting forth the reasons therefor. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mr. D. S. Perrin and 47 others, asking the Board to retain the Phoenix fire engine. Laid over for consideration.

An account of $20 from Mr. Samuel Grigg, for damages to horse and harness caused by a dangerous hole on Talbot street, was referred to the Board of Works.

From Mr. H. MacMahon and twenty others, suggesting that the cabs be stationed as follows:—

That in the opinion of your petitioners it would be a great convenience to the public, and give full satisfaction to the cabmen of the city, if their cabs were distributed in the following manner and places through the city, that is to say:

Three cabs on the west side of Richmond street, north of Dundas street to Carling street.

Three on the west side of Richmond street, south of Dundas street, between the City Hall and Dundas street.

Two on the east side of Richmond street, south of Dundas street, between the City Hall and Dundas street.

Two on the east side of Richmond street, North of Dundas street, between Carling and Dundas streets.

Two on the west side of Richmond street, between Carling street and the post office.

Two on the east side of Richmond street, between Carling street and North street.

Two on the west side of Richmond street, between the City Hall and King street.

Two on the east side of Richmond street, between the City Hall and King street, and the remainder on Richmond street, north of the post office.

The distribution was unanimously adopted by the Board.

FINANCE.

Ald. Cronyn, chairman, submitted the following report:—

Your committee report funds for the following accounts:—

Hospital	$ 950 93
Fire Department	1,160 47
Relief to Paupers	21 50
City Hall Expense Account	77 00
Board of Health	485 90
Salaries	1,967 75
Incidental Expense Account	203 01
City Clock Account	1,769 00
Total	$6,635 56